

Appl. No. 10/717,196  
Amdt. Dated March 24, 2004  
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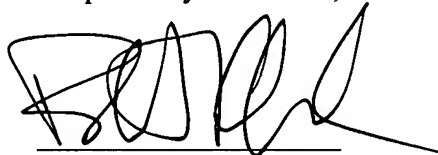
**REMARKS**

Claims 1-26 are pending in the instant application. Applicants have herein cancelled claims 18-26, without prejudice to obviate the need to pay additional claim fees. Entry of the present amendment is respectfully requested.

Applicants respectfully submit that the present application, including claims 1-17, is in condition for examination. Favorable action thereon is respectfully requested.

Any questions with respect to the foregoing may be directed to Applicants' undersigned counsel at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robert F. Chisholm', written over a horizontal line.

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